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City of San Juan
METRO MANILA

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 16
Series of 2020

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE CITY OF SAN JUAN,
METRO MANILA UNDER STATE OF CALAMITY DUE TO THE SPREAD
AND OUTBREAK OF COVID-19 WITHIN THE CITY.

Sponsored by: The Committee on Health and Demography
(Councilors Rolando M. Bernardo, Bea Celine D. De Guzman and Victor Jose L. Reyes)
and the Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction & Management
(Councilors Vincent Rainier M. Pacheco, Ariel I. Atad and Victor Jose L. Reyes)
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WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code states that it is the duty of every Local Government Unit to promote the health and safety of the people within its territorial jurisdiction, and the public in general;

WHEREAS, Local Government Units, particularly the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council has the authority to recommend placing the city under a State of Calamity upon occurrence of incidences provided for by law;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has already declared Covid-19 as a global pandemic with the virus having spread globally and infecting hundreds of thousands of people worldwide with the number increasing constantly;

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, the Department of Health (DOH) raised its coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) alert to Code Red Sublevel 1 following the first reported localized transmission of COVID-19 in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, President Rodrigo R. Duterte placed the country under a State of Public Health Emergency through Proclamation No. 922 in the light of the outbreak and consequent local transmission of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Philippine government has upgraded its COVID-19 alert from Code Red Sublevel 1 to Sublevel 2 upon the approval of President Rodrigo R. Duterte of Resolution No. 11, Series of 2020 issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Executive Secretary issued a Memorandum entitled "Stringent Social Distancing Measures and Further Guidelines for the Management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation";

WHEREAS, in the said Memorandum, a community quarantine has been imposed over the entire NCR. Said Memorandum also states that LGUs which have imposed community quarantine in their respective jurisdictions, upon a declaration of a State of Calamity, shall be allowed to access their Quick Response Fund;

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the Metro Manila Council issued a Resolution entitled "Urging All Local Legislative Councils of the National Capital Region to Issue an Ordinance Declaring a State of Calamity in their Respective Cities and Municipality due to the Novel Coronavirus(COVID-19);

WHEREAS, in adopting the aforementioned Proclamation as well as the findings of the World Health Organization, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Juan is empowered, through R.A. 10121 otherwise known as the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010, to declare a state of calamity upon the recommendation of the LDRRMC;

WHEREAS, the accelerated spread of the virus within the National Capital Region warrants the declaration of State of Calamity in the City of San Juan;

WHEREAS, as of March 15, 2020, there are already one hundred forty (140) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the country;

WHEREAS, as of March 15, 2020, the City of San Juan accounted for fifteen (15) of the confirmed cases of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, unless drastic steps are undertaken by the City, there is, or there will be, an extremely high incidence of COVID-19 in San Juan that will cause, is causing, or will most likely cause a serious disruption in the means of livelihood and is businesses in the City;

WHEREAS, the rapid increase of COVID-19 cases in the country and in the City of San Juan presents a clear and present danger to the health and safety of its people and the public in general, and also to the thriving economy of the City of San Juan;

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WHEREAS, the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (CDRRMC), issued Resolution No. 8, Series of 2020 entitled "A Resolution Recommending Placing the City Of San Juan, Metro Manila Under a State of Calamity due to the Spread And Outbreak Of COVID-19 within the City";

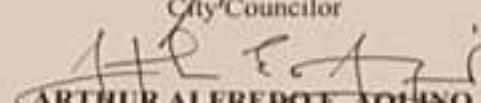
WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod, in response to the present situation of calamitous magnitude and upon consultation with the Local Chief Executive, Mayor Francisco Javier M. Zamora, the City Health Office, the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (CDRRMC), and other concerned agencies and offices, unanimously voted in favor of declaring the entire City of San Juan under a State of Calamity in order to access the necessary funds to combat the spread of Covid-19.

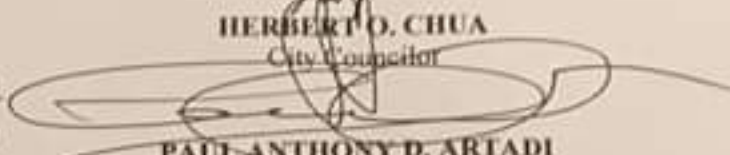
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by virtue of the powers vested in the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Juan, Metro Manila, in a special session duly called and assembled, to declare the entire City of San Juan under a STATE OF CALAMITY due to the outbreak of COVID-19 in the city be effective immediately, and henceforth the Local Chief Executive, Mayor Francisco Javier M. Zamora, is hereby authorized to disburse and use thirty percent (30%) Quick Response Fund from the Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund (LDRRMF) to address and arrest the outbreak of COVID-19 and for the provision of emergency services and supplies and public assistance during or immediately after the outbreak of COVID-19 in order to save more lives, reduce negative health impacts, ensure safety and meet the basic subsistence needs of the people affected. All other powers, duties and responsibilities necessary and essential to arrest and address the outbreak of COVID-19 are likewise delegated to the Local Chief Executive.

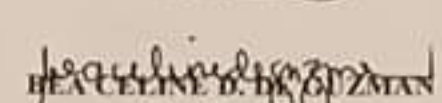
ORDAINED, FINALLY, to furnish all government offices and agencies concerned with copies of this Ordinance

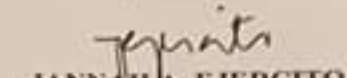

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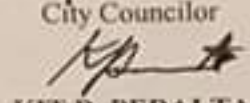

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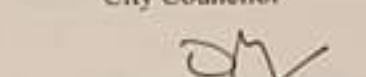

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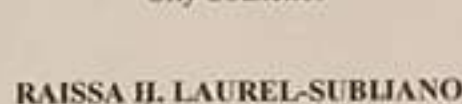

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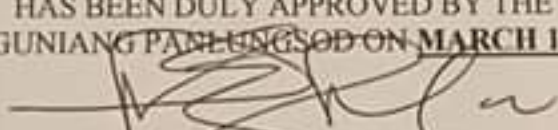

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS ORDINANCE
HAS BEEN DULY APPROVED BY THE
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD ON MARCH 15, 2020.


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